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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371

US. Application No. (if known)

09/529043

INTERNATIONAL APP. NO. **PCT/EP98/06210**

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 30 September 1998

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

4 October 1997

TITLE OF INVENTION

METHOD FOR MICROBIAL PRODUCTION OF AMINO ACIDS OF THE SPARTATE AND/OR GLUTAMATE FAMILY AND AGENTS WHICH CAN BE USED IN SAID METH

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Bernd EIKMANNS et al

| Applicant herewith submits to the United States | Designated/Elected Office | (DO/EU/US) the following |
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- 1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
- 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
- 3.
 This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 317(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
 - a. is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - b.

 has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c.

 is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Patent Office.
- 6. A translation of the International application into English.
- 7.

 Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
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 - b.

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 - c.

 have not been made; however the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d.

 have not been made and will not be made.
- 8.

 A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3).
- 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 USC 371(c)(4).
- 10.

 A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern documents or information included:

- 11.

 An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. An Assignment for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. A FIRST preliminary amendment.
 - □ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- 14.

 A substitute specification.
- 15.

 A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
- 16. Other items of information.

Drawing (2 sheets)

References

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| 17. The following fees are submitted: Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5): Search report has been prepared by the EPO or JP\$840.00 | | | | CULATION | S PTO USE ONLY |
| Int'l prel. exam. fe | ee paid to USPTO (37 C | FR 1.482) | \$670.00 | | |
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| Total claims | 37 | 17 | \$18 | \$306 | |
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RECORD OF TRANSMITTAL -- PCT APPLICATION

Ø PCT Transmittal

Ø PCT Application

Ø Translation

Sheets of Drawing (2)

Ø PCT Declaration

Ø PCT Documents

Ø International Search Report

Ø Preliminary Amendment

Ø Assignment (with PTO-1595 and sep. check)

Ø Reference(s) with PTO-1449

Ø Check for Official Fees

Ø Basic Fee (Large Entity) \$970.00 Ind. claims in excess of 3 \$00.00

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I, Herbert Dubno, a citizen of the United States of America, residing in Riverdale (Bronx), New York, depose and state that:

I am familiar with the English and German languages;

I have read a copy of the German-language document attached hereto, namely PCT/EP98/06210; and

The hereto-attached English-language text is an accurate translation of the above-identified German-language document.

Sworn to and subscribed before me 23 March 2000

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